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PATENT APPLICATION

Docket No: 13447.40

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
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Daniel F. Justin et al.)
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Serial No.: 10/749,346) Art Unit
) 3738
Filed: December 30, 2003)
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Confirmation No.: 8202)
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For: TIBIAL CONDYLAR HEMIPLASTY IMPLANTS,)
ANCHOR ASSEMBLIES, AND RELATED METHODS)
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Examiner: Alvin J. Stewart)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated April 12, 2006, in the above-identified patent application be extended for one-month until August 14, 2006.

Form PTO-2038 submitting Credit Card Payment in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

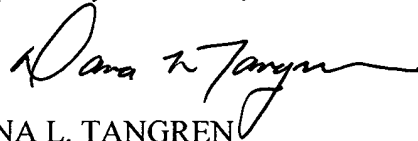
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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 14th day of August 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dana L. Tangren", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

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